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5X1	2.	AIRCR	AFT TRANSFER AND FUEL P	ROBT.EMS	

a. U-2 Number 343 and U-2 Number 359, both equipped with J-57 engines, are now at Eilson Air Force Base, Alaska, on the west coast leg to Detachment C. Weather permitting, the ferry flights will continue to Detachment C this date. The reverse ferry flight of one aircraft from Detachment C to Eilson to Edwards has been delayed due to a continuing fuel contamination problem at Atsugi. It should be noted, however, that the addition of the two aircraft from Edwards would provide an increased operational capability, albeit creating a temporary storage problem.

b. The events leading up to the fuel contamination at Detachment C are as follows: Routine checks of LF-lA fuel, made approximately

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ten days ago, indicated that there was a certain amount of corrosive element in the product. With the exception of 5,000 gallons of useable fuel in the truck tank, it was determined that Detachment C would stand-down until fuel checked o.k. A thermal stability test 25X1 was performed on the LF-1A fuel by a local firm [not identifying Detachment C as the primary user). 25X1 The results of this standard Koker test were forwarded to Pratt & Whitney and a decision made that this particular fuel was unsatisfactory. A similar test was performed on the mil spec fuel and results showed a good deal of scum and tight lace. As a back-up test, the fuel was allowed to stand for 24 hours and retesting produced the same results. A thermal stability test was then conducted on the mil spec fuel but the results have not yet been received at Headquarters. In view of this contamination, Headquarters Materiel has recommended to Detachment C that the POL experts of 5th Air Force be consulted not only in assessing the condition of the fuel but also as an aid in examining the entire procedures followed by the Detachment. As a double check, Pratt & Whitney is this date performing the Koker test on the LF-1A fuel, 5 to 6 gallons of which were forwarded from Detachment C for this purpose. SUMMARY: As of this date, Detachment C has no over-flight or ferry capability due to the above situation. ACTION: Materiel Branch and Col. Geary, the latter to have USAF POL experts examine fuel control procedures both at Hqs and the field. NOTE Detachment B is being kept advised of these developments in a routine manner. 25X1

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25X1	10. DPD FY-60 DEFICIT - Mr. Bissell has approved the recommendation to seek additional funds from the reserve to cover the known deficit in DPD budget created by the increased tempo of FE Air Operations reported that he needed additional figures from FE Division which had been promised for this date. Upon receipt of this information he will prepare a proposal as to how the approach to the Bureau of the Budget is to be made.				
25X1	ACTION:				
25X1	11. AIR OBJECTIVES STUDY - Preliminary work on the Air Objective Study has been completed by and he is now awaiting comments from Materiel and Admin Branches. A deadline of 1 April has been set for these inputs.				
	The operations paper was received on 18 March and Materiel is now preparing a paper which will cover logistics planning covering such aspects as the number of packs required, where to locate them and costs. The Admim Branch will cover the personnel requirements necessary to man proprietary airline companies and the cover aspects.				
25X1	ACTION: Mr. Cunningham and	25X1			
25X1	12. DFD FY 61-62 BUDGET - reported that all the branches are actively at work preparing figures for FY 61-62 budget and that he expects to be ready to begin a summary next week. ACTION: All Branch Chiefs	25X1			

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